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Judicial Branch Warns about Court-related Scam Calls

July 26, 2023. Augusta, Maine. The Maine Judicial Branch is warning people today about scam telephone calls falsely claiming to be from law enforcement demanding that the person called pay a fine purportedly because the person did not report for jury duty.

Judicial Branch staff and law enforcement never call and request personal or financial information or money over the telephone or threaten people who don't comply.

"We've heard from several members of the public saying they have received calls claiming to be from a local sheriff's office," said Judicial Branch Director of Legal Affairs and Public Relations Barbara Cardone. "Maine people should be very cautious in responding to such calls. Never send money or provide personal or financial information in response to a telephone call or email unless you have verified the identity of the caller independently."

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